

THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

ROLAND MA,

Plaintiff,

v.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION and  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN  
CALIFORNIA,

Defendants.

CASE NO. C19-1112-JCC

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte*. Based upon the record in this matter, it appears Plaintiff is using the Court as a vehicle to harass and antagonize certain parties, rather than as a forum to resolve a valid dispute. (*See* Dkt. Nos. 56, 67, 72.) The Court has been apprised that Plaintiff has not complied with the parties' settlement agreement and, therefore, remains in contempt of the Court. (Dkt. No. 72.) Yet Plaintiff has failed to make any of the \$250 weekly payments required by the Court in its previous orders. (*See* Dkt. Nos. 62, 69.)

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1651, the Court may enjoin a vexatious litigant to restrict such litigant's access to the Court. Before doing so, the litigant must be given notice and a chance to be heard. *De Long v. Hennessey*, 912 F.2d 1144, 1148 (9th Cir. 1990). Accordingly, the Court ORDERS Plaintiff to show cause why the Court should not impose a vexatious litigant order for his repeated abuses of the judicial process in this matter. Such an order would limit Plaintiff's

1 ability to bring future claims against parties before this Court. Plaintiff's response must be filed  
2 no later than twenty-one (21) days from the date of this order and may not exceed five (5) pages  
3 in length.

4 The Court DIRECTS the Clerk to mail a copy of this order to Plaintiff.

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6 DATED this 29th day of December 2020.

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11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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